

**City of Burien, Washington
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2010
Time: 7:00 PM**

Board Members Present:

Hiede Holmes Ed Dacy Chris Ndifon
Larry Moormeier

Board Members Absent:

Ted Fosberg Sheryl Knowles Jean Spohn

Staff Present:

Steve Roemer, Parks Development and Operations Manager

Guest Present:

Caroline Bobanick, Environmental Science Center (ESC) Executive Director

Ed Dacy , Board Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Citizen Comments:

None

Additions To Agenda:

The agenda was approved 4/0.

Agenda and Action Items:

Caroline Bobanick, Executive Director of Environmental Science Center (ESC)

Caroline spoke regarding what is happening at ESC. ESC is in their final phase of raising capital funds to complete the \$1.5 million remodel project of the caretaker cottage in Seahurst Park. The outside of the building is complete and the balance of activities is the completion of the interior. Completion of the interior is estimated at \$230,000. The City and ESC renegotiated the long term lease in return for the City providing \$150,000 for the final phase with the stipulation ESC must raise the balance of the funds, \$80,000, within twelve (12) months. Currently ESC has raised \$35,000 with a balance of \$45,000 and eleven months to go.

Closure of Seahurst Park during the North Shoreline Restoration will require relocation of ESC Spring 2012 beach programs. During discussions Steve Roemer and Carol Bobanick agreed to coordinate sending of a letter to local school districts and ESC customers regarding the closure.

70 people participated in ESC night beach walk in December at Seahurst Park.

Overview of Park Operation and Capital Improvement Budget

Steve Roemer presented an overview of the 2011 Park Capital Improvement Budget.

Update on Park Operations and Capital Improvement Projects

Steve updated the Board on the work being done through contractors to give the new north Burien parks a needed facelift. Park furniture is being replaced and added, trees are being trimmed and thinned, pathways are getting new asphalt and the parks are getting additional attention to clean up. Additional work is being performed in and around the new community center to enhance use, resolve maintenance issues and enhance public safety. Staff is also working with a local sculpture to install an eagle piece in the entrance of Eagle Landing Park.

Future Agenda Items and/or Questions:

Community Gardens topics, as necessary
Parks Capital Projects and Operations update
2011-2012 Capital and Operating Budgets
Additional discussions on informal recreation opportunities in parks
Impact of annexation on recreation staff
Potential for future dog park
Discussion of Seahurst Park Rules and Regulations
Discussions of park hours of operation

For the Good of the Order:

Ted Fosberg and Larry Moormeier's second terms expire the end March 2011, requiring the appointment of two new members to the board. Chris Ndifon's first term expires the end of March 2011 and he plans to reapply for a second term.

Hiede Holmes agreed to coordinate potluck dinner with Arts Commission scheduled for January 12, 2011, at 6:30 P.M. at City of Burien Community Center.

The next board meeting is January 12, 2011, with a potluck dinner with the Arts Commission and will start at 6:30 P.M.

Submitted by:

Larry Moormeier